

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Michael R. Smith  
Assignee: Cisco Technology, Inc.  
Title: Method And Apparatus For Providing Network Security Using Security Labeling  
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**April 28, 2010**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated January 28, 2010, having a shortened statutory period expiring on April 28, 2010. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks set forth below.

No Amendments to the Specification or Drawings are presented in this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on **page 2** of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on **page 25** of this paper.